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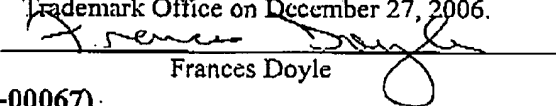
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In response to the restriction requirement and request for election of species dated November 27, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows: